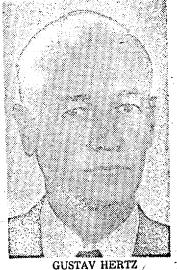
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Release Near for Gustav C. Hertz?

I HIS is a picture of Gustav C. Hertz, an administrator of the Agency for International Development, abducted by the communists while riding a bicycle outside Saigon 14 months ago. The White House and State Department refused comment on a report that fresh negotiations are under way with the Viet Cong for the release of the captured U.S. official. A State Department spokesman said "we have said many times that the U. S. Government is doing everything it can to effect the release of all Americans held by the Viet Cong and in North Vict Nam, but we're not going to discuss any details of these efforts."



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